

## Occurrence of yellow tail blue snapper *Paracaesio xanthurus* at Chennai

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About 50 kg of yellow tail blue snappers (*Paracaesio xanthurus*) locally called as “methi meen” belonging to family Lutjanidae were landed by mechanised gillnetters at Chennai Fishing Harbour in July 2011. On 17<sup>th</sup> July 2011, about 300 kg of *P. xanthurus* was landed by ring seine at Mahabalipuram area from a depth of about 30 fathom. The size of the fishes ranged from 310 to 435 mm with dominant mode at 360-379 mm and the weight ranged from 0.6-1.5 kg. In August 2011, about 60 kg of yellow tail blue snappers in the size range of 200 to 319 mm were landed at Notchikuppam landing centre by gillnetters.



*Paracaesio xanthurus* landed at Kasimedu Fishing Harbour